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Leaphart, Anderson Head MSU

Merrill Denies Recent Rumors

Dr. A. S. Merrill, who was a representative of the University as director of war activities at a meeting of the Army Specialist Training Program held in San Francisco last week, denied recent rumors that the CTD might be discontinued here.

"The University of Montana has been approved for the Army Specialist Program. However, with the Air Force group already occupying the best facilities it seems improbable that the specialist program will actually be instituted here," he said.

"From several different sources I learned that the air corps is pleased with the CTD set-up," Dr. Merrill declared. "It will be continued for the duration. The 317th CTD is rated as excellent, and more flight instructors are being sent here."

Dr. Merrill also visited the Santa Ana air base at the request of the army air force Supervisor of Instruction and there observed particularly the academic work which trainees from this institution will engage in after they leave here. He stated that the classes were very similar to those at the 317th CTD.

SUMMER PICNIC

There will be an all-University picnic, Friday, July 9, Dr. W. R. Ames, Professor of Education, announced today. Private cars will provide transportation to Montana Power Park "where," Dr. Ames said, "the menu is guaranteed to be good." All summer school students and faculty members are asked to meet at the Journalism Building at 4:30 p.m., he said. There will be a charge of 50 cents for the picnic supper.

NOTICE

It was announced that persons attending the School of the Drama, who now wish to remain for the six-weeks or ten-weeks terms, may change their enrollment by securing the proper cards at Window II of the Registrar's Office.



Walter A. Anderson



Charles W. Leaphart

Dramatists, Air Corps Stage "Eve of St. Mark" Premiere

All the style of a gala Hollywood premier will be displayed when Maxwell Anderson's "The Eve of St. Mark" is presented tonight by the summer school theater of drama and the Army Air Forces at 8:30 o'clock in the Student Union Auditorium. Presented as a stage show to a studio audience, the audience will witness the actual recording of the play for future radio release. They will see the sound effects man working, and the technique used in radio broadcasting.

The play opens in 1941 and is built around a soldier who is shipped to an isle in the Philippine group. The men defend the island against the Japanese. When they are offered the chance of leaving, they feel that there is a last bit that they can do, and stay on. A delicate love story and humor enlighten the play.

Trainees in Cast

Ana Holding as Janet and Walter Roberts as Quizz head the cast. Army Air Force trainees and three students from the school of drama are in supporting roles. James S. Rigsby plays Deckman West; L. R. Swanson, Ralph West; B. O. Roswold, Zip West; James F. Ruby, Neil West; William W. Swink, Sgt. Ruby; Clif C. Shack, Corp. Tate; John R. Trainor, Pvt. Mulveroy; Gerald Claywell, Pvt. Marion; A.

317th CTD Invites Public on Sunday

Between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sunday, July 4, the public is invited by the Army Air Force College Training Detachment to attend open house at the University. Tours will be conducted through the dormitories before retreat which will take place at 4:30 p.m. An exhibition drill composed of the entire AAFCTD will entertain spectators on the oval after retreat.

Anyone wishing information on the CTD is urged to ask their questions during open house while qualified officials are present to answer them, said Major George Heikes.

Olson, Pvt. Buscemi; William W. Swink, Pete Feller; L. R. Swanson, Sgt. Krivin; Josephine Bugli, Nell West; Jane Mee, Pepe.

Renne, Swingle Lead State College Faculty

Melby Assumed Office Of Greater University Chancellor Thursday

Charles W. Leaphart, Dean of the School of Law and Vice-President of the State University, was named Acting President of the State University by the State Board of Education here Tuesday. Walter A. Anderson, dean of the School of Education and Director of summer session, was selected vice-president.

Dr. Roland R. Renne, professor of agricultural economics and sociology at Montana State College, Bozeman, was appointed president of the State College and Dr. Dean B. Swingle, professor of botany and bacteriology and vice-president, was renamed vice-president by the State Board of Education.

Melby Chancellor

The State University appointments became effective July 1, when President Melby assumed office as Chancellor of the Greater Universities of Montana. The appointments at Bozeman will become effective September 1.

Dean Leaphart joined the University faculty in 1913. In 1919 he was named dean and professor of law. In 1937, a two-year leave of absence was granted him and he became chief of the appellate section of the lands division of the Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. This March, he was granted a leave of absence to serve as vice-chairman of the Regional War Labor Board in Denver. He is expected to return here about August 1.

Anderson Here

Dean Anderson came here from Northwestern University the fall of 1942 where he served as professor of education. From 1937 to 1940, he was consultant to the Kellogg Foundation Community Education and Health Project.

He has taught in public schools of Minnesota, was an assistant in

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The Workshop - - An Adventure in Education . . .

Education and adventure, an exciting or unusual experience? Yes, at least Workshop education is usually that way.

Workshop? About 50 experienced classroom teachers, principals, and superintendents on the campus are attending an educational workshop. They hold a general meeting once a day and spend the rest of the time with informal special-interest groups, in conference with staff members, or individual projects.

Members of the Workshop were asked about workshop education. Some of the replies were:

"I feel that democracy is really being put into practice."

"The Workshop has given me faith in group participation."

"It has given me new slants on teachers as human beings and as a professional group. It has increased my faith in education and educators."

Members say that there is a high degree of reality about the activities of the Workshop; they are developed directly out of the interests and expressed needs of the members; much attention is given to the limitations under which teachers work and to the specific school and community situations of the teachers attending.

Democratic procedures emphasize cooperative planning and action, respect for individuals, and the use of all intelligence available in meeting problems.

It is well to notice, however, that for some the Workshop is not an adventure. There is one type of student who has become skeptical of human nature and of the possibility of democratic processes really working.

He sees back of every decision the fine hand of those who are "in the know." He is impatient with the slow process of cultivating group thinking and policy formation. He holds back from the adventure of democratic living.

But even these skeptics frequently come through. One such, after working intensively with two colleagues in building curriculum materials, testified as follows: "From the experience with this group I believe that I have learned to be more patient in listening to the point of view of those who do not seem to be moving forward in their thinking as rapidly as I think I am. I have become more willing to allow others to criticize my ideas. I have become more able to speak frankly on issues where I do not understand or agree. The entire project has been an experience in using the techniques of cooperative teacher planning which, I believe, will be invaluable to me."

The evidence, carefully gathered from many workshops over several years of experience, is thoroughly convincing that for a majority of its members the workshop offers a genuine adventure in purposeful, democratic living and learning.

—GUY FOX.

Leave of Absence, Promotions Granted

Two leaves of absence and one promotion in rank were approved at the State Board of Education meeting in Missoula on Monday and Tuesday, June 28 and 29.

Rudolph Wendt, instructor in music, was granted a full year leave of absence to enter army service.

Edwin L. Marvin, assistant professor of philosophy and psychology, will be on sabbatical leave during fall quarter of next term.

Charles W. Hardy, superintendent of the press and instructor in journalism, was promoted to assistant professor of journalism.

Knit One Purl Two Makes 50 Plus

"I stopped remembering when I got as far as 50, but I have a record at home," said Mrs. Grace Porter, workshop and drama student from Ruyard, when asked how many Red Cross sweaters she had knitted. "I have finished two and am on my third since summer session started."

Mrs. Porter is not the fiercely efficient type her accomplishment might suggest, nor does she sit home by the fire and knit. In convo and at movies, she listens and observes, while her fingers work. Only when the neck is to be shaped must she look to her knitting.

Mrs. Porter teaches English in Ruyard High School. She is a graduate of State Teachers' College, Greeley, Colo., and is now attending the University for the first time.

Besides the sweaters, she has knitted wristlets, beanies, and six children's suits, all during the last two and a half years.

"The children's suits, maroon and green, were the most fun of all," she smiled. "All the refugee articles I could make to suit myself, with trimmings and colors. Since Pearl Harbor I've done Army or Navy knitting that must be made according to regulations. Knitting is not boring. Rather, it is fascinating, and relaxing, too."

NOTICE

Two CTD dances scheduled for this weekend have been cancelled due to the sudden change in the 317th CTD graduation program.

In the Air

By A/S ALAN ALCH

At approximately 1400 on Saturdays, a blessed little bell (the same "blessed" little bell that rings for reveille) sounds off in Montana State University's dormitories, and aviation students are officially released from durance vile for the weekend.

Open Post, the Air Force's own Walpurgis Night, finds the students descending upon the countryside like stale manna.

When the word arrives that they are free to leave Never Never Land and return to civilization, most of them turn their faces toward Missoula, the Mecca of Montana, and whatever best counteracts the week's workout.

Here they can be seen in their quaint costumes attempting to take over what the town has to offer. There are two techniques in the latter; some loiter, others lurk.

Not all students are released for the weekend, however. There is a small but persistent group which spends part of Saturday and Sunday marching stiffly at attention. Heaven isn't the only place that frowns upon sinning; the Air Force is in some ways more rigorous than the former in its demands.

Some, suffering from a sort of athlete's head, like to go horseback riding or take long hikes into Missoula's miles of environs. In general, bodily activity is discouraged, however, and the order of the day is "rest and recreation."

They go to the movies and to dances. The movies generally concern the war and the dances are one. Keeping your partner to yourself is classified as a major war effort.

After pay days, the Air Corps comes to town to settle up as well as settle down. Merchants are very kind in town in allowing students to buy lots of things on credit. Credit is a pleasant way to buy things. For an aviation student, it's the only way he can buy things.

Change from the large bills all students receive as their monthly compensation is invariably in silver dollars. These are heavy and cause pockets to bulge. Inasmuch as aviation students must be neat at all times, they get rid of these bulky silver dollars as fast as possible.

O'Hare Recruits For WAAC's

Lt. Catherine O'Hare, '38, arrived last week for two weeks of WAAC recruiting in Missoula. Stationed at Daytona Beach, Florida, Lt. O'Hare is now on a 30-day trip enlisting women in Montana.

"I feel that the WAACs are a wonderful opportunity for women to meet new people and get a broader outlook through travel," she remarked. "University women have much to offer the Corps."

Joining the WAAC last July, Lt. O'Hare was commissioned second lieutenant in September. This April she was promoted to first lieutenant. At Daytona Beach, she is post mess supervisor. Her husband, Paul T. O'Hare, '40, is an ensign stationed at Farragut, Ida.

Lt. O'Hare worked on the campus as Hall Director of Residence Halls.

Psychological Study Conducted Here

Four freshman students are assisting Dr. E. A. Atkinson, professor of psychology, in a survey for the Psychological Corporation of New York to determine the quantity and types of liquid which is consumed by the average person in the average day.

Ninety interviews in Missoula and small neighboring towns and rural communities will be intensively studied by Donald Ritchey, Gardener; Joyce Baker, Thompson Falls; Carol Haynes, Hamilton, and Irvin Winship, Victor. After the initial study has been completed, a follow-up interview will be conducted before July 16 to judge the consistency of liquid consumption.

The psychology department at Montana State University has worked in cooperation with the national organization in similar surveys for the past nine years.

LINE TOURS STATE

Dean Robert C. Line, head of the School of Business Administration, has been touring the state of Montana this month speaking on the subject, "Business Relations with the Government and Labor," and attending business conventions. He will return to Missoula this weekend.

Dr. R. R. Renne and Dr. G. H. Craig, both of Bozeman, have also been scheduled on this tour which took them to principal cities of the state.

"M" Background Reveals Colorful Anecdotes

From the valley the long, thin line of people marching up to the 'M' three weeks ago was just another long, thin line of hikers. Just the annual summer hike to view the city. But what few failed to realize, and not even the hikers for that matter is that there is a series of stories behind the building of that huge letter on Mount Sentinel.

The first one goes back to the first "M" that was built for the University. That was 31 years ago, and the "M" was made of wood. There were props to hold it up, that it might be seen at an advantage from the valley below. But the builders didn't reckon with Mother Nature when they built the "M" and the following year it was torn down by a wind storm.

Another Wooden "M"

The next "M" also was of wood. Again the weather was not taken into consideration. The "M" met the same fate as the first one.

In 1914, two years after the building of the first "M" a 100-foot site was surveyed by James E. Bonner, of the School of Forestry. Later it was enlarged to 110 feet and finally to 120 feet, the present size.

The present "M" was started on a Saturday. Started, that is, because of course it couldn't be finished in one day. The day set aside turned out to be foggy and this added somewhat to the difficulty of the situation. But the workers weren't daunted by a little thing like a fog. A bucket line, a quarter of a mile long, formed from the top of the mountain. Rocks were handed down to people who laid them in the proper places.

Noon Lunch

At noon the girls served the boys lunch. Someone had failed to bring water for the coffee, so the rock workers had to go all day without anything to drink. However it was taken as part of the fun.

Tradition calls for the freshmen to whitewash the "M" in the spring and in the fall. Once a class trudged up the hill to paint the "M" but first changed the "M" to form their date of graduation. Upon reaching the bottom of the mountain they were met by a hostile sophomore class and persuaded, partly by force, to return to the scene of the crime and right the wrong.

In the fall of 1939 Montana State College was scheduled to play the

Women Receive Activity Center

Women students returning in the fall will find a newly established Women's Center. This is to be in the building owned by the University on the corner of University and Maurice, formerly the New Hall Annex.

The house is to be redecorated, papered and painted. There will be reception rooms on the first floor for friendly meetings, a place for browsing and music.

On the second floor will be rest rooms. These will help girls carrying a heavy schedule and working for a major portion of their way through school. They will provide an opportunity for rest and quiet between classes or work.

This will fulfill a long-cherished dream of the women students on the campus, and has been needed for years, Mrs. Mary Elrod Ferguson, dean of women, said.

Exhibit Gives Glimpse Of Inter-America

An Inter-American exhibit was on display in the Journalism building. This was sent to the University by the United States office of Education. It stressed the part schools can play in fostering understanding of, and better relationships with Latin American countries.

This exhibit included records, books, charts and some examples of the arts and crafts of Latin America.

University at football. The Bobcats stealthily climbed up to the "M" and moved the rocks to form a "B." Men from the University noticed the sacrilege at 3 o'clock and immediately went up and changed it back to its original form.

The hikers of three weeks ago little realized the blisters, torn hands, aching backs and triumphant exuberance that went into the huge rock edifice, keeping eternal sentinel above the campus of the University of Montana.

Heat Waves

By JEANE FEE

SONGS CONCERNING SUN

I wish I had an aeroplane
To flit above the houses,
To skim the heads of people,
Of horses and of cows.
And incidentally I might
Investigate some cases
Of Co-eds taking sunbaths
In too secluded places.

With a shortage of meat, such
chances we take
To get ourselves cooked till we
look like a steak,
But our danger is small, as it
seems a safe bet
That the longer we cook, the
raw-er we'll get.

In spite of which, we still wonder
about the person who advised
us to be well oiled before taking
a sun bath.

Honestly, we overheard this in
the Union fountain.

Audrey Ahlquist to waitress:
"What's for dessert?"

Waitress to Audrey: "Peach pie
or lemon-filled cake."

Audrey: "Is the lemon-filled
cake good?"

Waitress: "I haven't eaten any."

Audrey: "Well, does it look
good?"

Waitress: "Yes, it looks very
good."

Audrey: Are you sure?"

Waitress: "Yes, I'm sure it's
good."

Audrey: "Well, bring me a piece
of peach pie."

We wish you all a happy 4th
of July. Governor Ford is urging
no unnecessary accidents
over the holiday, so please be
careful. We gather, however,
that it is still all right to have
the necessary type.

WEINERS ATTRACT WORKSHOP GROUP

Despite the rain and wind Wednesday afternoon, the Workshop group attended their scheduled picnic at Pattee Canyon and enjoyed the proverbial weiner and bun treat. Rain dissolved the planned program and the picnic was cut short. Cars left the Journalism building at 5:30 p.m. and were back at 8 p.m.

Army Men May Participate In Intercollegiate Sports

Army men may soon be allowed to participate in intercollegiate sports, Dean J. E. Miller, announced last week. Dean Miller, faculty athletic committee chairman, has recently returned from Pacific Coast conference meetings in San Francisco. The decision with respect to intercollegiate sports rests with the armed services, he said.

Newest conference rulings make freshmen, transfers and all men of the armed forces who are actually taking training from the University's faculty, eligible to participate.

"The situation, especially with respect to football in Montana, is critical, and a great many other schools throughout the country are in a similar position.

At present, the only branch of the service which permits participation is the Navy; however, both conference officials and service men hope that the Army may also be allowed to compete in intercollegiate athletics, according to Dean Miller.

Betty Brings Back Buggy

Twentieth century, the ladies' era? Why, most certainly—and educated ones, too.

For it's not an illusion that you see each day on the campus, not a show either, or part of a parade, but a cultured young lady and her companion, a horse.

Mrs. Betty Henley was anxious to attend the University, but there was one drawback—that of arriving at classes on time each day, although she lived four miles up the Rattlesnake. But Betty devised a method.

You see, it's Betty's black, high-seated buggy with four red wheels and her black mare, "Pet," which has caused such a disturbance in town.

Betty can now ride farther on her four gallons of gas per week and is still punctual at her American Literature class because, "it takes 15 minutes to call 'Pet,' hitch her, and an additional 40 minutes to trot into town." If she can't manage in that time, Betty mounts her steed and rides in.

"I humor her along, she's lazy, but this mode of conveyance is much better than walking," smilingly admitted the pretty mistress.

COMING EVENTS

Friday, July 2—8 p.m., "The Eve of St. Mark," Student Union Auditorium.

Sunday, July 4—5 p.m., Coffee hour, Student Union Lounge.

Monday, July 5—No classes.

Tuesday, July 6—10 a.m., Convocation, Main Hall Auditorium.

Tuesday, July 6—7:30 p.m., Forum Discussion, Journalism Auditorium.

Wednesday, July 7—7 p.m., Army Air Corps Mixer, Student Union Gold Room.

Thursday, July 8—8 p.m., Swimming for women, Men's Gym.

Forum to Discuss France

"France" will be the topic of discussion at the forum Tuesday, between 7:30 and 9 o'clock in the Journalism auditorium.

This week's forum discussion was about Russia. Dr. Joseph Kramer and Miss Lucile Speer were the main speakers for the evening.

Shadowgraphs Demonstrated

The visual aids group of the Workshop was given a demonstration on shadowgraphs in last Wednesday's meeting. A tour through the Missoulia took place Thursday.

"Yes, absolutely, my buggy is not a novelty," Betty hastily exclaimed, her dark eyes twinkling. "Then, too, I bought 'Pet' from a riding academy in Great Falls and went after her myself. It took me 11 hours to drive her back in a trailer. I got a flat on the trailer and thought I'd never pry the tire off. It was welded firmly to the rim, but I finally succeeded."

"Pet" patiently stands in back of the Library after 10 a.m. tied to a pine tree, because "when grass is around, I don't trust her with only a weight set down by her buggy."

MSU Arranges Living Quarters For Women

Montana State University is arranging for organized houses to provide living accommodations for college women next year, Mrs. Mary Elrod Ferguson, dean of women, announced yesterday.

The houses will be under the supervision of the University. Trained social directors selected by the University administration, together with the Dean of Women, will give that personal attention to the individual girl which has always characterized the dormitory plan. In addition to the above houses there will be eight sororities and one cooperative house.

All women students under 21 years of age whose homes are not in Missoula are required to live in the University residence houses, sorority houses or cooperative houses unless excused by the Dean of Women to live elsewhere. All occupants of the houses are required to board in the houses.

Applications for room in the houses should be made to the University by September 1. Students who apply after that date cannot be assured that there will be accommodations for them, Dean Ferguson said.

Board Chooses Acting Heads

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education at the University of Minnesota in 1929, supervisor of instruction in the Minneapolis public schools in 1934-35, and an assistant in education at Teachers' College, Columbia University, from 1935 to 1937.

Several professional articles of his have been published in leading educational magazines. He received his doctor of education degree from Columbia University in 1937.

LOST

A red purse was lost Wednesday in the vicinity of the women's gym. Finder notify Summer Sun office.

Don't forget the All-Summer Session picnic! Bring the family and yourself and an appetite. Next Friday at 4 o'clock.

Smith Meets With Classes

Dr. Tredwell Smith, head of the Department of Social Studies at the Dalton School in New York City, and consultant on Inter-American affairs with the United States Office of Education, arrived here Saturday, June 26, for the last day of the Educational Problems Conference and to discuss Inter-American affairs with University groups.

He remained on the campus this week to meet with education Spanish, history, and music classes, and to give interviews to individual students and faculty members. Tuesday morning he addressed a summer session convocation on the topic "Mexico Today."

Dr. Smith was a member of the delegation invited by the Mexican Ministry of Education to study current social and educational conditions in Mexico in the summer of 1939. He traveled in Mexico and Guatemala in the summer of 1941, and has done considerable study on pre-Columbian cultures in Mexico, Guatemala, Peru, and Bolivia.

Formerly on the staff of Teachers' College, Columbia University, Dr. Smith has taught at Franklin and Marshall College and at American University of Beirut. He has been the Minister of Education at Cairo, a member of the American-Persian Relief Commission, and a Rhodes scholar at Oxford from 1919 to 1922.

Hazelbaker Attends National Press Meet

Howard K. Hazelbaker, instructor in journalism and secretary of the Montana State Press Association, returned last Sunday from Cincinnati, Ohio, where he attended the two-week wartime meeting of the National Editorial Association.

Mr. Hazelbaker participated in several panel discussions where problems of newspaper advertising and newsprint supply were explained.

The National Press Association which is composed of weekly newspapers and small daily newspapers, was represented by 600 members from the United States and Canada. Mr. Hazelbaker was the only representative from the Montana branch.